

IN OLD MEXICO.

JOTTINGS FROM TRAVELS HERE AND THERE.

Current Happenings in the Cactus Country of the Aztecs, and Their Descendants.

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"You are surely not going to leave the city before the season is over," exclaimed a Mexican friend, in unbounded surprise, as we were starting off on a few days' jaunt into the interior. So highly is the cactus esteemed in this country, that should Barnum come down here with his "greatest show on earth," I am not sure but that the people, in their wild enthusiasm, would depose President Diaz at once, and make the veteran shawm ruler of the nation.

Strange to say, there are no perambulating circuses in Mexico. The one institution of the kind is established in this city, conducted by the Orrin brothers, and is open five days a week. It really is more like a "variety" performance in a third-rate theater than a regular circus. The building itself is of wood, with canvas roof-half plaza, half hall. That it is appreciated may be inferred from the vast amount of gratuitous advertising the Orrin brothers receive from the Mexican press. The city people are not, as might be supposed, so much interested in the circus, but rather in the programs of each performance should be distributed early in the day, instead of the usual circulars, which the people may know, and expect to see. The Mexican custom of the plaza de toros—to send a company of clowns or horsemen knights through the streets on horseback, attended by a band of music to scatter handbills broadcast among the populace—suits here.

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The animals provided were small, active and wholly untrained, and the scene was a most extraordinary one. The points were bright as needles, and almost as sharp. Never did veteran *pisador* perform more expertly than the *Senorita Hernandez*, who, with her sword and mule, executed by this youthful sorcerer. As the bull, mad with rage, would make his furious charge, she stood perfectly still until he had passed her, and then, with a sudden rush, with one hand she would slap him in the face with the scarlet cloth, which had first been waved in the air, and with the other hand dexterously thrust into his neck a *guedra*, *banderilla*, whose sharp barb, as it pierced his flesh, caused him to roar with pain.

DEADLY CONTEST.

Was a beautiful specimen of his race—black, agile, savage and wild. He was not so much in the arena than ready for battle. After he had been permitted to make two or three charges, to warm him for the fight, the Governor, who was seated on a raised platform, gave a signal, and the animal, with a sudden rush, with one hand she would slap him in the face with the scarlet cloth, which had first been waved in the air, and with the other hand dexterously thrust into his neck a *guedra*, *banderilla*, whose sharp barb, as it pierced his flesh, caused him to roar with pain.

TOBACCO PERSONS.

Dr. M. F. Coombs, of Louisville, Ky., said (International Congress, Mexico), that he had considered smoking far more injurious to the throat and nose than chewing. The smoke came into the mouth heated and loaded with irritating oil that would soon coat the mucous membrane and not wash away as the saliva. Cigarette smoking is especially injurious, because the smoke is universally inhaled, causing pharyngitis, laryngitis and chronic irritation. In the nose, not to mention the lungs, where the smoke is habitually expelled through the nose we find hypertrophies, congestion, dilated vessels and just as the smoke is expelled from the nostrils, it is also expelled from the mouth, so close to the face, without the benefit of the wind, and the smoke, after being inhaled, is again expelled through the nostrils. In the twinkling of an eye she turned to face the bull, and just as she did so she dropped dead, so close to her that, without moving from her position, she placed one foot upon the neck of her now prostrate foe. The sharp blade, directed by the skillful hand of this wonderfully self-possessed girl, had served the spinal cord, and death was instantaneous. For a moment the great audience sat breathless, as if paralyzed, and then such a shower of gold and silver coins fell around the victorious *toradora* as must have enriched her for life.

EL DUELO.

Like suicide, it is becoming a mania in certain seasons, and just now the former is raging with extraordinary violence in the

PLACER'S CITRUS FRUITS.

NOW BEING EXHIBITED AT LOS ANGELES.

Brief Statement of the Productions and Resources of the Central California Citrus Belt.

The exhibition of citrus fruits grown in Placer county, being now in Los Angeles by a committee of the Board of Trade recently organized at

EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF ALL CHRISTIAN DENOMINATIONS.

Some of the Topics Discussed and the Leading Drift of Thought Presented.

(RECORD-UNION Correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, December 8, 1887.

It was the remark of one of the leading evangelical spirits in the country as he surveyed the conference at the height of its enthusiasm yesterday that there had not been a more important assembly of Christian men since the first Christian conference at Jerusalem. This sentiment was expressed in the call that the conference was convened to consider a great crisis in the Church's position and to ascertain, if possible, by putting many heads together, how the danger points might be safely passed. It was not designed, however, that matters should be settled in the way common at ministerial gatherings, viz.: by the passage of resolutions. In fact,

no resolutions were admitted. This was a great disappointment to those accustomed to put themselves on record, and who are not averse to taking a hand at the political wheel. All things considered, though, it was a wise arrangement, for if doctors disagree, so, and much more so, the application of remedies, do these doctors of divinity.

The truth is that but for the understanding that the Conference was not to be asked to commit itself in the form of resolutions, the conservative churches of the country could not have been induced to take part in it. In fact, the bulk of the rumormongers that would have been raised in a Conference containing a large element of the conservative churches, as are commonly put forth at radical Methodist gatherings.

Of the proceedings of a body putting forth matter enough daily to fill whole pages of the largest newspapers, all that can be attempted in a letter of two lines is to indicate by a few notes.

And comments what was the apparent drift of sentiment of the topics discussed. In the opening address of President Dodge, of the Alliance, two interesting points were that the largest proportion of the wealth of the country was in the hands of a few, and that the churches, but was, unfortunately, not being used as it should for the advancement of the church and the poor, the largest proportion of whom were in the places of worship, had, it was held, just begun to think, not alone of their sufferings and wants, but of the power of the nation and power. Hon. John Jay, Vice-President, had recently been a sermon by Bishop Potter of New York, from the text, "It is high time to awake," and he regarded the Conference as an indication that the country was beginning to awake.

THE ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

By Bishop E. G. Andrews was charming in both taste and diction. The Bishop, however, took issue with President Cleveland, who had informed Congress the day before that the reduction of the tariff was the question of greatest moment to the nation's security and prosperity. The Bishop, of course, he intended to take issue with. Excellency, and did not even mention him. The Bishop took a hopeful view of the country's condition, and warned the conference that it was possible to exaggerate dangers as to paralyze energy.

THE CITY AS A PERIL.

Dr. Worcester, of Boston, the first speaker on this theme, said that the city was not an unmitigated evil. Its perils were in rapid growth, in the large accession of vicious elements, in the loss of the old character of the population. In London but one and six-tenths per cent. of the population were born in the city, whereas in this country, about one-half were foreign born and the children of foreign parents. This vast mass of immigrants, coming from over forty different localities of the Old World. The great problem was, therefore, to make the city a place where the children of immigrants could be made new-world citizens.

Dr. McPherson, of Chicago, in continuing his theme, made the point that the city was a place where the children of immigrants could be made new-world citizens. He said that the city was a place where the children of immigrants could be made new-world citizens.

Had I to introduce my readers to the most interesting scene I know of, I think I should take them to a school where a native child and a child of a foreigner are taught together. At its close, the child of the foreigner is taught to read the language of his race, and the child of the native is taught to read the language of his race.

THE REMARKS OF THE PRESIDENT.

This subject was ably presented by Prof. Hjalmer H. Boyesen, of Columbia College. He said that the city was a place where the children of immigrants could be made new-world citizens. He said that the city was a place where the children of immigrants could be made new-world citizens.

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THE FARM

MATTERS PERTAINING TO AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE.

The Question of Phylloxera and Resistant Vines—Profits in Walnuts—General Notes.

(RECORD-UNION Correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, December 8, 1887.

Chief Executive Officer Wheeler of the State Board of Viticulture says: "Vineyardists are concerning themselves about the planting to be made for another year, the question of phylloxera and the resistant vines entering largely into their calculations. It is clear that large numbers of vines, as in the case of the phylloxera, have been more marked than ever before. The Riparian and Lenoir are extensively relied on for good soils, especially taking the land in dry and gravelly locations and soils wanting in lime. The latter variety is extremely scarce in California and cuttings have been imported from Texas to fill the demand. Among direct producers the Petit Bouchet and the Alicante Bouchet are favorites where color is needed, as they at the same time bear a heavy crop. New vines in importance stand the Mouton, which is a very heavy bearer. Among white grapes, the Colombar, known in this country as the Sauvignon, is the property of the vineyardist, its adaptability to soil, climate and exposures found in the bay counties making it nearly everybody's choice. It grows a large crop and abundant foliage to prevent sunburn. Muscat will form probably the largest part of next year's planting, particularly in the interior and mountain counties, where raisin drying has proved a success. The other grape is so extensively propagated for that purpose. Of raisins, the production for last season will be from 750,000 to 800,000 boxes.

BIG PROFITS ON WALNUTS.

A day or two ago Sam A. Maxwell, Monrovia's 200-pound real estate agent, laid upon the *Planet* table a number of walnuts grown upon the trees on his place at Duarte, about a mile from Los Angeles. They were exceedingly large nuts, well filled with splendid meat. Sam said: "I saw where you said last week that a Santa Ana nut would bring \$250 per acre. I have a tree on my place that has borne 441 sacks, each running 60 pounds. The entire crop can be sold at ten cents a pound, or \$60 a sack, making the yield \$26,460 for the five acres. The owner is generally satisfied with the yield of shipping them. Walnuts are far easier grown than oranges. They don't need half the attention. A good team could take care of ten acres and have over half of his time free. When the trees are younger produce can be grown between them. I have seen these walnuts say they are the best this year. Sam also said that the trimmings of the trees furnishes his house with fuel. The refuse of the trees is sold for about 10 cents a cord. Truly there are some vocations that bring in big money."—*Monrovia Planet*.

MONEY IN APPLES.

Richard Windsor, of Malabar, in Salinas several days this week, and informed the writer that he had an abundant crop of apples this year. Mr. Windsor is a pioneer fruit man in this valley, and was among the first to explode the idea that the Salinas valley was not good for anything but grain-growing. From two trees, eleven years old, he picked this year, thirty-eight boxes of bellflowers, and a quarter of an acre of apples. These apples, which are No. 1, sell readily for 75 cents per box. This, it is estimated, will net him \$2,500. He has about ten acres in fruit, but many of his trees are not yet in bearing. He has not made an income full bearing.

CALIFORNIA LEMONS.

A writer, who explains the cause of the poor quality of California lemons, says that the fault lies with the orchardist. A lemon tree, he says, is a very sensitive plant, and its fruit is very susceptible to frost. The orchardist, he says, should be careful to protect his trees from frost, and to keep them in good health.

THE COMING McTee Power.

Let anyone consider what the steam engine was forty years ago, and then compare it with the improved compound engines of today, and we respect the power for economy and efficient service, and then let him try to estimate what the electric power will be in the future. The compound engine, with its waste of steam, has come as a result of long practice, large experience, profound study, and the application of a wide acquaintance with the laws of nature. The electric motor, on the other hand, is a new thing, and its power is a new thing.

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The Joke Played on Washington Girls by Some Very Well Swells.

There are four or five dudes from New York who have made the city in this city. They have made a considerable sum of money in the races each day, and the leader, of course, is Berry Wall. Each of these dudes has a valet with him, and occupy a suite of apartments in a fashionable hotel, which is quite private and removed from the public part of the house.

On the other night, when Mr. Wall was at the hotel, some of his friends, the rest of the party concluded to have some fun. They were acquainted with two young ladies who live here, and are not adverse to taking sport with such well-known dudes as composed the party—in fact, who are willing to sport when any invitation is given to a repeat at that hotel. The four New York dudes, who are well known to the city, expected them to play a part in a little scheme that evening. "You are to pretend that you are English lords, and when the ladies come in, you are to take them to supper, order anything you want and charge it to us."

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Briggs, W. A.	212 L.	10 to 30 A. M., 10 to 12, 1 to 2, 7 to 8 P. M.	1304 I.	67 and 528	
Briggs, Wm. Ellis	Ocella	9 to 12 A. M., 1 to 4, 6, 8, 10 P. M.	1304 I.		
Bruce, A. E.	8 and K.	10 to 30 A. M., 1 to 2, 4 to 7, 7 to 8 P. M.	8 and J.	3	287
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Magill, Mary J.	712 1/2 J.	10 to 11 A. M., 1 to 4, 6, 8, 10 to 7 to 8 P. M.	712 1/2 J.	159.	
Magill, T. J.	712 1/2 J.	9 to 11 A. M., 1 to 4, 7 to 8 P. M.	712 1/2 J.		
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Simmons, T. J.	429 1/2 J.	9 to 11 A. M., 2 to 3, 4 to 5, 7 to 8 P. M.	1009 I.	67 and 128	
Simmons, Junior.	429 1/2 J.	11 A. M. to 12 M., 4 to 5, 7 to 8 P. M.	1009 I.	67 and 123	
Stearns, C. W.	30 and K.	11 A. M., 2 to 4 P. M.	242 M.		
Tyrell, G. G.	W. M. Co. 5th and J.	12 to 2 P. M., 7 to 8 P. M.	1009 J.		
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

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